THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" The West Coast is still in our State. It is not a foreign State. But if the hon. Member would give me any definite instance, I shall look into it."

SRI M. PALANIYANDI :—" வெஸ்ட் கோஸ்ட் நம்முடைய ராஜ்யத்தைச் சேர்ந்ததுதான். திரு பாங்கூர்கொச்சியில் உள்ளவர்கள் இங்கே அட்ரஸ் கொடுத்து பதிவு செய்துகொண்டிருக்கிறார்கள். அப்படி பதிவு செய்து கொண்டிருப்பவர்களை வேலைக்கு எடுத்துக்கொள்ளுகிறார்கள் என்று சொல்லுகிறார்கள். அதை மறுக்கமுடியுமா என்று கேட்கிறேன்."

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Mere assertion does not confirm the fact. I should like the hon. Member to give me names and addresses of such persons and I shall verify the matter."

Constitution of District Planning Boards.

* 306 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) the names in the case of non-official and the designation in the case of official personnel of Tiruchirappalli District Planning Board;

(*b*) the ameliorative and development works recommended by the Board for Udaiyarpalayam taluk for the first Five-Year Plan; and

(*c*) whether the Government will place a copy of the rules governing the constitution of these planning boards on the table of the House?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM (on behalf of the Hon. the Chief Minister) :—" (a) to (c) A statement [a] is laid on the table of the House."

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" Sir, this question was given notice of in April 1953. Already a period of eight months has elapsed. I think that there should be something wrong either with the Legislature Secretariat . . ."

MR. SPEAKER :—" There is nothing wrong with the Legislature Secretariat. As soon as we receive notice of a question, we pass it on to the concerned department of the Government? "

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" Or in the lower rungs of the department concerned . . ."

MR. SPEAKER :—" That is, the department of the Government."

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" Yes, Sir. If this is the fate of the questions emerging from the Assembly, it is no wonder that there is red tape in every department of the Government, especially, in the Revenue Department. So, may I suggest the Government to disclose the reasons for such delay and also to see

(*a*) Printed as Appendix II on pages 173–174 infra.

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their way to fix a time-limit within which the answers to the questions emerging from the Assembly should be given by the department concerned?"

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" May I know, Sir, what the hon. Member is referring to? I am sorry I have not been following him."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member says that he gave notice of his question in April 1953 and that the answer is given only now. So, he wants to know the reasons for the delay."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" Sir, I may inform the hon. Member that the question has been marked for me also. At the time when the question was given notice of, I was in charge of Planning. So, a statement has been prepared and placed on the table of the House. The delay is due to causes inherent in the question itself. When a very comprehensive question like question No. 306 is put, delay may naturally be expected. I shall read the question, Sir. The hon. Member wants to know—

'(a) the names in the case of non-official and the designation in the case of official personnel of Tiruchirappalli District Planning Board;

(b) the ameliorative and development works recommended by the Board of Udayarpalayam taluk for the first Five-Year Plan; and

(c) whether the Government will place a copy of the rules governing the constitution of these Planning Boards on the table of the House.'

Naturally, all inguiries take time."

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" A simple perusal of the answer given will convince anyone that there need be no time at all to answer this question. But I do not want to dilate upon that. I only want that a time-limit should be fixed within which answers to questions emerging from the Assembly should come from any department whatsoever."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" A suggestion is made, Sir. I take it that it is a suggestion and not a supplementary question. But I might suggest also that when an answer gets ready but the House gets prorogued, the question has to be taken up only at the next session."

MR. SPEAKER :—" There are only ten minutes more left for questions and I have to cover the remaining questions within that time. I therefore pass on to the next question."

Multi-purpose co-operative societies in South Kanara.

• 307 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of multi-purpose co-operative socities registered so far in South Kanara district,